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**Re: Friends of Mary Landrieu, Inc.
FEC Identification #C00325126**

Dear Mr. Leopold:

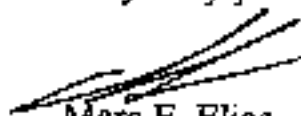
This is in response to your letter dated November 18, 2003 concerning the October Quarterly Report (7/1/03-9/30/03) of the Friends of Mary Landrieu, Inc. (the "Committee").

You have asked about the Committee's Column B figures. The Committee amended its report earlier this month to correct the Column B figures.

You also ask about the reporting of loans to the Committee. During the reporting period, Senator Landrieu obtained an advance on her brokerage account, which was reported on Line 13(b). During the same reporting period, Senator Landrieu paid back the advance on her brokerage account with personal funds. Since no money was paid from the Committee to either the brokerage firm or to Senator Landrieu, this change in the loan's source was reported as a memo disbursement to the brokerage firm on Line 19(b) and a memo entry receipt from Senator Landrieu on Line 13(a).

We hope that this information adequately answers your questions. If you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the Committee.

Very truly yours,



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